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**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
June 9, 1998**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled board meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of May 26, 1998, were approved.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Raul Rosa approached the board and requested they consider naming the gym at Parque Zaragoza after Nellie Tellez, a long time community activist in the neighborhood.

Elizabeth Trower, 3707 Manchaca Road, approached the board to request they consider an amendment or ordinance to reduce or alleviate entrance fees to city parks for disabled persons.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

Make a Recommendation on the Construction of Hewitt Boatdock and Deck at 4009 Rivercrest Drive, File No. SP-98-0123DS

Dewayne Naumann informed the board this item was pulled from the agenda of May 26th because not all requirements of the Land Development Code had been met. The Navigation Committee has since met with owner and determined there was an error on the plans and the committee does now approve the boatdock and deck construction as submitted on the site plan. This statement served as a motion. Rocky Medrano seconded. The vote in favor was 8-0 (Librik, Naumann, Carter, Castleberry, Medrano, Francell, Kim, Cruz-Torres).

Make a Recommendation for Construction of Two Six-Slip Boatdocks at 5908 Cone Circle, File No. SP-98-0128D

Dewayne Naumann informed the board the complex contains more than two slips and asked that the item be pulled for consideration at a later date.

Make a Recommendation on Banning Alcohol on Bull Creek Greenbelt and Park

Warren Struss, Park Police Administrator, informed the board that the banning of alcohol in the Barton Creek Greenbelt a year ago has been a successful venture for the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC). There has been a noticeable decrease in the amount of illegal and inappropriate behavior and litter associated with alcohol use on the greenbelt. PARC has now received a request from the Bull Creek Foundation and individual neighbors to ban alcohol on the Bull Creek Greenbelt and Park. Signs were posted in March asking for citizen input on the banning of alcohol in the park and on the greenbelt. There was a total of 71 calls received in the Director's office in favor of the ban and 20

calls against the ban.

Skip Cameron, President of the Bull Creek Foundation, informed the board there are several access points to the creek area where most littering takes place. Most litter consists of cigarette butts, beer bottles, beer cans and potato chip bags. He has been approached by families who don't make use of the greenbelt because of the inappropriate behavior and drinking that occurs. The foundation frequently does clean ups of the area. Mr. Cameron asked the board to accept the alcohol ban.

Rocky Medrano made a motion that alcohol be banned on the Bull Creek Park and Greenbelt and that reservations be made for an alcohol permit if people want to drink. Erma-Linda Cruz-Torres seconded. The vote in favor was 8-0. (Librik, Naumann, Carter, Castleberry, Medrano, Francell, Kim, Cruz-Torres).

Make a Recommendation on the Interlocal Agreement with Rollingwood for Wholesale Wastewater Services

Craig Bell with the Water and Wastewater Utility again presented the board with some options for the interlocal agreement between the City of Austin, Rollingwood and West Lake Hills that would establish sewer service between the three authorities. A detailed description of Options 3 and 4 were provided along with maps. Overall the board did not feel comfortable with either option since construction of a reclaimed water plant is suggested for Zilker Park or possibly the, as yet unpurchased, Knights of Columbus Tract.

Mike Librik made a motion to oppose the Interlocal Agreement. Erma Linda Cruz-Torres seconded. The vote was 4-4-0 (Medrano, Cruz-Torres, Librik, Naumann) (Carter, Castleberry, Francell, Kim)

Further discussion followed with members asking what had been the recommendations from the advisory board for water and wastewater and the Environmental Board. The Environmental Board recommended Option 3 with stipulations and the Water and Wastewater Board is scheduled to have it on the agenda for June 19th.

Jeff Francell made a motion to delay making a recommendation until after the Water and Wastewater Board has made their recommendation. Elaine Carter seconded. The vote in favor was 8-0 (Librik, Naumann, Carter, Castleberry, Medrano, Francell, Kim, Cruz-Torres).

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jesus M. Olivares, Director made the following announcements: The Programs Teen Academy opened today for the summer; The Playground Program officially opens June 10th on Auditorium Shores; Board is invited to the opening of the Ric and Carmen Castaneda Fields on Saturday June 13th at Garrison Park; Members were given a detailed listing of the June 19th celebrations; and the federal ruling on Barton Springs Pool will be made June 16th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Programs Committee will meet June 15, 1998.

Navigation Committee will again review Construction of Two Six-Slip Boatdocks at

5908 Cone Circle

Airport Advisory Group had June meeting cancelled

Downtown Commission will meet June 10, 1998

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS (not for action)

There is an advisory board conference scheduled for June 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the board room.

Board Members are invited to take a tour of the teen academy with staff member Gina Saenz.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.